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LEGAL PROVISIONS GOVERNING MARIHUANA POSSESSION IN GUYANA.

REF: (A) GEORGETOWN 582; (B) STATE 57902

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON GUYANA LAW PERTAINING TO
MARIHUANA SUPPLEMENTS THAT PROVIDED IN REFTEL (A)
A. FOR SUMMARY CONVICTION BEFORE A MAGISTRATE, GUYANA'S
DANGEROUS DRUG ORDINANCE PROVIDES MAXIMUM PENALTY OF 12
MONTHS IMPRISONMENT. HOWEVER, THOUGH THIS ORDINANCE HAS NOT
CHANGED, MAGISTRATES HAVE RECENTLY BEEN GIVEN GENERAL AUTHORITY
TO IMPOSE SENTENCES OF UP TO TWO YEARS. PRESUMABLY, THIS
EXTENDS TO CONVICTIONS CONCERNING MARIHUANA, BUT IT HAS NOT
YET BEEN TESTED.
B. GUYANA CUSTOMS LAW ALSO PROVIDES FOR INCIDENTS OF
MARIHUANA BEING DISCOVERED BY CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AT A PORT OF
ENTRY. IN SUCH CASES A FINE OF 3 TIMES THE VALUE FOUND MAY
BE IMPOSED IN ADDITION TO THE POSSIBLE INPRISONMENT PENALTIES
DESCRIBED ABOVE IN REFTEL.
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